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HELP FROM YOUTHFUL FRIENDS Pictured above are some Urban League and B'nai Brith youth organization members working on one of the projects to help the elderly and low-income of Tacoma.

The Tacoma Urban League in conjunction with the B'nai Brith Youth Organization will repair a home for a low income, elderly widow. The work, which includes painting, gardening, and roofing will all be done by volunteers from the Tacoma chapter. These volunteers are all Jewish youth, ranging in age from 14 to 18 years old, who are high school students. The local community has donated all supplies, materials, and tools needed for this project. The volunteers are donating their weekend to help this woman. The work site is 1501 South M St., in Tacoma. The mayor's representative, city councilmen, and the director of The Tacoma Urban League; Thomas Dixon, will be at the site to thank the volunteers and to answer any questions about this project. This project is a off-shoot of the SUMMER '74 volunteer program of the Urban League. Please feel free to call Bruce Garber, program co-ordinator at 383-3007 for information.

Assistance for Taxpayers

On the left is Nola Montgomery, an appraiser for the T.A.P.E.S. Program interviewing Mr. & Mrs. George Elliot at their home in Lakeba , Wash.

Ken Johnston, Pierce County Assessor, announced today that Interview Teams for the Taxpayer Assisted Property Evaluation System (T.A.P.E.S.) have begun calling on Peninsula Area Homeowners. The interviews mark the final phase in the state sponsored Pilot Program's field testing.

Johnston stated: "We are interviewing those homeowners who noted errors or had questions concerning the inquiry form and reviewing all the properties involved in the test as a triple-check on the program. Part of the purpose of the field checking is to refine the inquiry process. To date, we have received tremendous cooperation.

This innovative test program is the first to actively involve homeowners in the appraisal process in a program of cooperation between the property owner and the Assessor's Office.

Our staff has combined the information we have on record regarding each parcel of property in the test area (which is 17,000 parcels in the Gig Harbor-Peninsula area) and are in the process of mailing them to the homeowners. We are requesting that they correct or confirm the data and return the inquiry forms to us by a specified date.

So far, almost one-third of the parcels in the test area have been contacted and our returns are running around 60 percent - this is substantially better than we had anticipated.

Many people are telling us that they are surprised and pleased that they have been allowed to get involved in the appraisal process. For many, this is the first time they have had the chance to look over the information the Assessor's Office has concerning their property and h how it was valued.

Through the process of the T.A.P.E.S. Inquiry Form and the involvement of the taxpayer, we have uncovered some errors made years ago and never corrected.

Our appraisers will correct these errors during the interview phase of the program that deals with the physical characteristics of the property. We feel, at this point in time, that the T.A.P.E.S. Program has proved its value. The system works, the concept and the program are sound. Some minor problems and bugs in the system need to be worked out, but we are very pleased with the results to date.

The most crucial factor in the T.A.P.E.S. Program is the response of the property owner. We asked them to assist us, to work with us on developing this system, and they have done more more than we have asked. They have shown to us that they want a say in their local government and they are the ones that have made the program successful.

We are in the process of making a preliminary report of the results and problems of the T.A.P.E.S. Program to the Senate and House Ways and Means Committees of the State Legislature at the 1975 Session.

St. John Baptist Church to Celebrate Anniversary

October 27th through November 3rd will be the week St. John Baptist, Rev. J.A. Boles, Pastor, will celebrate their 22nd anniversary. Special guest speaker for Sunday October 27 at 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Sunday, November 3rd is the Rev. M.L. Williams.

Rev. Williams, pastor of the New Light Baptist of Port Arthur, Texas, is the president of the Ministers Conference of his district Association. A graduate of Conroe College with a Bachelor and TH degree, it is no surprise that Dr. Williams is a member of the National Evangelistic staff.

The chairperson of the Christian Board of Education of St. John, Rev. Ronald Shorter, along with all of St. John's auxilliaries, will be conducting a Bible seminar each night at 7:00-8:00 p.m. The president of the National Black Churchmens Association, Rev. Gill B. Lloyd will emphasize the theme "The Role of The Black Church in the Past, Present and Future."

The public is cordially invited to help St. John celebrate this historical week, October 27 through November.

Time to Re-Set Your Clock Again

Next Sunday's return to standard time involves more than resetting the clocks at Pacific Northwest Bell, division manager T.R. Haslam said.

The telephone time-of-day number will have the correct time to help those of us who can't remember to turn their clocks back Sunday morning.

Also, the time change will coincide with the start of this winter's "Lights on for Safety" campaign as PNB employees will be driving company vehicles with their lights on during daylight hours to focus attention on driving safety, Haslam said.

Right On... FROM THE PUBLISHER'S PEN

I SHALL PASS THIS WAY BUT ONCE THEREFORE ANY GOOD THAT I CAN DO OR ANY KINDNESS THAT I CAN SHOW LET ME DO IT NOW FOR I SHALL NOT PASS THIS WAY AGAIN.

by Fitzgerald Beaver
editor & publisher

It is generally believed that present day professional baseball received the pro erbial shot in the arm when it began to take athletes of color into its realm. Ever since the late, great Jackie Robinson broke into the majors the attendance records have been on the upswing. Each year finds one or more blacks listed among the super stars of America's favorite past time....that's baseball. To name a few of the greats since Jackie's debut, Junior Gillim, Roy Campanella, Joe Black, Hank Aaron, Lou Brock and many others. Aaron has not only broken the record of the late, great Babe Ruth, but surpassed it beyond the stretch of the imagination. Now front offices forget that the source of many of their black athletes is the black college. This should provoke thought about the ability of some of their present day players to become managers who could bring home a pennant or a world series. For example, with all due respect and no reflection on the present manager of the Cardinals, Johnny Joe Lewis, Lou Brock, Bob Gibson, Len McLaughlin, are all college men. Brock was a mathematics major, so he has to have some skill, something going for him. The point is that every team with black men on it has a black college man on it who possesses more than just athletic ability. He has ability to think, reason, arrive at conclusions and find solutions to problems. The fact that attendance has increased since the advent of the black player should be a premonition to the front office that a black manager may also be a big drawing card. The handwriting is on the wall if someone would just read it. RIGHT ON!

Upendo's 2nd Annual Halloween Carnival

On Oct. 31, 1974, the Upendo Social Club will sponsor a Halloween night Carnival at the Malcolm X Center. The event will be for tiny tots through sixth grade.

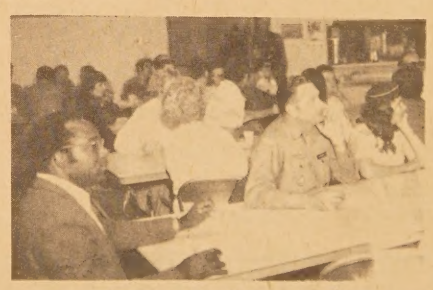
Last year over 200 youngsters poured into the Stanley School Gym to enjoy the trick-or-treat night in a different fashion. This year, we hope for an even greater turnout. We plan an evening with plenty of fun and activities for all the children.

The committee coordinating and planning this affair is: Mable Botley, Bennye Leeks, Lela Dacus, Cheryl Magu, and Lillian Rudolph. With the help and cooperation of the other club members and those donating their time and efforts.

We are urging the parents to join us in our efforts to keep our children off the streets Halloween night.

Our main attraction will be the "Haunted House" which was quite a success last year at Stanley School. There will be free candy, popcorn, and many activities planned. Admission 15¢.

Scouting Is On The Move



We are moving in District 1. We have a great team working with us, under the direction of Rev. Elmer Church as District Chairman a and Clarence Walker as District Executive, with the rest of the district backing up the effort of scouting. We have started to be no. one. We have 36 units in the district now, and we will be taking on 18 new units from district 2 which will bring our district up to 54 units. This makes us the third largest. By January we will be the largest district. We took over: Pack 207, 211, 210, 216, 259, 212. Troop 207, 210, 215, 216, 230, 203, and 259. Post 296, 286, 209, 278, 901, and 902. We are glad to welcome these new units as a part of our district. We will be looking for new people to get involved in scouting. We have a great chance to go camping and to be with our kids while they are growing up. If we are a part of the program, we have the best chance to mold then the way in which we think they should go. As they grow up to become adults, they will make their own decisions. As a good scout it will be a good one and a part of us will be in each one.

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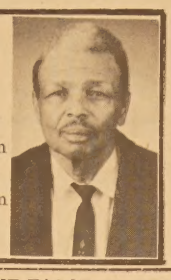

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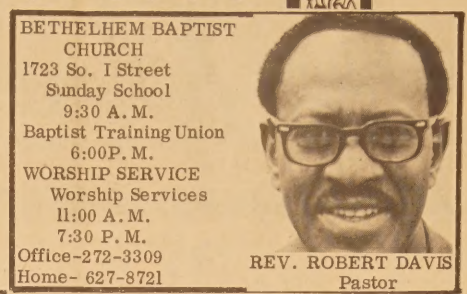

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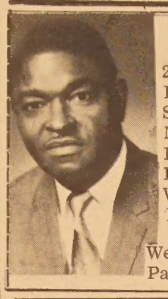

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Four Retired Clergymen to be Honored at United Black Churchmen's Convention

Rev. Dr. Joseph Evans

CHICAGO, OCT. 18---Honored guests at the national convention of United Black Churchmen to be held here November 7-9 will be four retired clergymen of the United Church of Christ who have made outstanding contributions to the Black community.

The organization of Black Clergy and laity is aimed at increasing the impact of the two-million-member United Church of Christ on the needs of minority people. Sessions of the third biennial meeting of United Black Churchmen will be at the Ascot House and the Essex Inn.

The men to be honored are the Rev. Dr. John William Faulkner, Wildwood, N.J., former Dean of the Chapel at Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. Dr. Henry T. McDowell, Kings Mountain, N.C., a missionary in Angola for many years; Rev. William Judson King, Detroit, a pioneer in farm development and citizenship education for rural Blacks as director of Franklinton Center, Bricks, N.C., and Rev. Samuel L. Laviscount, a major influence in the New England Black community during his years as pastor of St. Mark's Church, Roxbury, Mass.

Keynote speaker at the opening session 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7, will be a former Chicagoan, The Rev. Dr. Reuben A. Sheares II, New York City, director of the Office of Church Life and Leadership of the United Church of Christ. He was associate executive director for community development of Chicago's Community Renewal Society from 1967 until he was called in 1973 to head the new church agency which conducts national programs for laity and clergy.

The president of the United Church, the Rev. Dr. Robert V. Moss, and the secretary, Rev. Dr. Joseph H. Evans, both of New York, will take part in the opening convocation. Presiding will be William L. Parkerson, Washington, D.C. a leading Black layman of the denomination and president of the United Black Churchmen.

Mr. Irwin France, assistant to Mayor Daley, will address the delegates Friday evening, November 8. He will be introduced by the Rev. Dr. Arthur D. Gray, pastor of the United Church of Christ of Park Manor.

A portion of the program will be given over to the denomination's 17/76 Achievement Campaign to raise funds for the Black colleges related to the United Church of Christ and for racial justice programs overseas.

The morning program for Friday, Nov. 8 will focus on increasing the participation of the Black United Church members in the national church boards and agencies. Presentations will be given by the Rev. Dr. Howard E. Spragg, executive vice president of the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, and the Rev. Dr. David M. Stowe, executive vice president of the United Church Board for World Ministries.

The Rev. Harry W. Bredeweg, Indianapolis, chairman of the Executive Council of the United Church, will speak on the concern of the whole church for programs by and for minority people.

The Friday afternoon program will be small group discussion of issues facing the Black church member, and planning of strategies for the future. On Saturday's agenda is the adoption of a constitution for the organization.

The Commission for Racial Justice of the United Church under its executive director, the Rev. Dr. Charles E. Cobb, supports the United Black Churchmen through its Leadership and Development program.

Rap About Planned Parenthood

by Bil Moss, Executive Director
Marguerite Morehead, Education Director

October 24 is World Population Day, an appropriate time to begin this feature. Each month Planned Parenthood will offer a short column, and the first rap will highlight the United Nations' World Population Day.

The population issue usually makes everyone think of numbers, but population problems are not limited to matters of quantity. Regardless of total numbers, there are too many children born today to parents who do not want them.

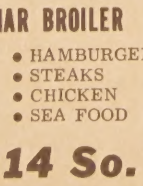
Where children are born into families who want them - and who will care for them - there can never be too many children. The world needs these people and always will. On the other hand, the child born of an unwanted pregnancy is a population crisis all its own.

Planned Parenthood believes that each couple has the right to decide for themselves the spacing and size of their family. Our objectives are to preserve and increase informed choice on the part of each individual. This requires a two-fold program: direct clinical and counseling services, and education for both the client and the community.

It is the fervent wish of Planned Parenthood that every child born be a wanted child; becoming a parent should be a responsible decision. In short, the population issue in the end comes down to individuals, both in its cause and its effect.

Mental Diet

by Evangelist Charles Waller
Dakota Street Church of Christ



THE BLACKS' WANTS

Many individuals, who are not of the dark race, who can never fully understand the dark man's wants. Some say, "He wants too much," others say, "He already has enough, what more does he want?," and some poor old sick soul says, "He needs nothing."

Well, we have three pronounced ideas. So let us discuss these three ideas.

First: As long as there is an America, and as long as any one person in America is enjoying just "One" American privilege, rite or pleasure.

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Yes, Americans.....Born in America, wear American names, speak American language or slang, wear American clothes, vote as Americans, and know our American relatives whether they be white, Indian or Black.

The Blacks only want "What is American." These is much trouble when someone or some group tries to stop him from this privilege, this rite or this pleasure. "This American System." No more, no less. That is not too much.

Second: Others say, "He has enough, what more does he want?" We repeat "The Black only wants what is American. How can he ever get enough of being American? Every day, the Americans are making progress in every direction and in every way of life---No American has enough. These is always room for improvement. The mass of Blacks are late, some lost, others behind in this progress in many places. He has first to catch-up with his fellowman, now while he is fighting to catch-up, some unthinking person will ask, "What more does the Black want?"....What does he mean by "What more?" At the present time the Black doesn't want "more", he wants what is already "His". He wants to catch-up with his relatives, friends, and neighbors.

You see, we are living in a world that is expanding with freedom. All men everywhere are fighting for this freedom and wisdon.

And since America is leading the world in T-A-L-K about this freedom and wisdom, it is no great thing that her Black citizens must show the Black world, just what America means.

Black people have in their veins the blood of Royal Kings, Queens, Emperors, Princes and Royal citizens.....This blood cries aloud for freedom, honor, and wisdom....Equality and recognition. No race on earth can keep another race a conquered group eternally. This noble blood will eventually rise where it once was.

In some places the man of color has to push hard and march long for his rights. In other places, he only has to make his wishes known and doors of opportunity are opened unto him. Glaveston, Texas; San Antonio, Texas; and Clinton, Oklahoma are perfect examples. I have lived in these wonderful places. Assisted in the climb.

In America there are great opportunities for the Indian, the Mexican, the Black man, and anyone else of color. There is no need to roit....unnecessary.....

D on't misunderstand me, we do have a mighty fight, but we fight at the polls, and with our money, at the businessman's desk.....But in the booths and offices....not as fools.....but as wise men. Wisdom and knowledge always conquer ignorance and prejudice.

Where men and women can pronounce the word "Black", only five little words, yet it gives so many people, so much trouble. Some seem unable to give the proper sound or the proper pronunciation to the little thing. A little schooling can help a lot of people on their pronunciation.

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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:
RE: 'Felons: Police take 1 a day'TNT, Saturday, October 19, 1974.
It is reasonable for Major Dale Deskins, Assistant Police Chief, to offer "statistics in support of his statement.. that a fresh look at criminal rehabiliatation is needed to reverse an alarmingly rising crime rate." My question to Mr. Deskins is, "What are you advocating?"
Unfortunately for the so-called criminal element, they can't be of such high moral charcter, veracity and integrity as so many public officials are. Whil your'e looking, do you look at rehabilitation "through the lens that has been ground for us by Watergate? We will find answers to lots of questions that many people have just recently learned how to ask.
Mr. Deskins doesn't speak to the "hidden" factors attributed to recidivism amongst known convicted citizens. For instance, it is well known by geneticists tha Klinefelter's Syndriome has been found to be high among prisoners. It is described as "a biological abnormality of the chromosomes." It would be well for Assistant Police Chief Deskins to bring forth the statistics and certify how many are Vietnam and Vietnam Era veterans. Deskins seems to be playing political football. He gives no relationship or analysis between rehabilitation and prison. Prisons only warehouse convicted persons. Major Deskins can verbalize in innuendos and half-truths, knowing full well that many crime repeaters are set up to be repeaters. The only way to reduct criminality and recidivism is to diagnose and treat the causes of crime and behavioral disorders which are only more deeply imbedded by locking people up in cages. Solve our social, political and economic hyprocrisy and we solve a majority of crime.

Mr. Imara

Sign on an Arizona church bulletin board in the month of August: "You think it's hot here?"

A SIGN next to a gate in the wall of a private estate in Palm Beach, Florida, says in determined black letters: POSITIVELY NO ADMITTANCE. In small script, down in one corner is an additional notice: "Please close the gate."

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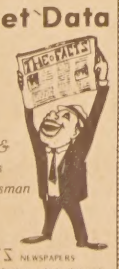

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Ringside Northwest

by Joe West

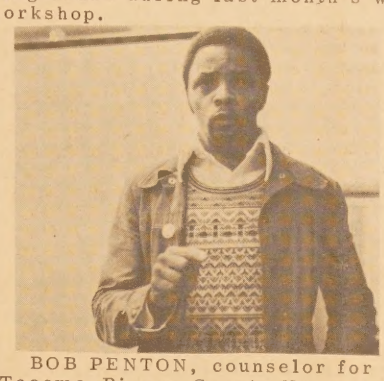
Hi Boxing Fans -- It's only one week now until the biggie in KINSHASA, ZAIRE AFRICA and I still have not given you fans my pick. As I told you last week, I'm beginning to get sick of the publicity on this show and really that's the way it is. I just don't care who wins. The ones I'm worried about are the men that are promoting this show. The price that the fighters are getting is pure nonsense. Now don't get me wrong. I'm not against the money that ALI and FOREMAN are making. I only wish that I had some of the action. But what makes me mad is the idea that some young fighters have when they see the amount of money and think that they can make the same. This is the thing that worries me. There are a lot of young potential fighters in this area who could make a nice living in Boxing but the idea that they will make money like this is pure nonsense. The reason for this fantastic purse is the fact that the people who run this new country want the publicity that comes with a heavyweight title fight to attract attention to that country and the only reason is to exploit the country. Yes, that's the true reason, and I got that from the horse's mouth. The fight itself will lose money for the promoters but the potential of investments and big business coming into the country and taking out all the natural resources will commence right after the show. What do you bet that the men that are putting up the money have not invited many potential money men to come to the country and invest, with the prospect of all the cheap labor and help that they need. Think about it!

The best show that you can see - and you don't have to travel around the world to see it - is right in LACEY, WASHINGTON next week. You will get to see three ten round fights along with the opening four round fight that features EDDIE COTTON'S new young tiger DENNIS CONKLIN. He is boxing one of the KIBBIE brothers and I think DENNIS is in a little trouble. KIBBIE can fight a little. COTTON better get his man ready, and he is doing just that by letting DENNIS work with my man TOMMY HOWARD. This young man is boxing ROGER BUCKSKIN again. You know that is the young man with the Indian War Bonnet that TOMMY lost to in California a few weeks back. You know this will be a war! I think that HOWARD will come through this time but not until you see a classic battle. Be sure and come to this show, for the price of a ticket that costs one fifth of the price to see the show from AFRICA, and possibly a better show. Okay so now you want my choice from AFRICA. First let me say that youth must be served, and at the same time let me say it is too bad that youth is wasted on the young. So from that you know my pick. Yes, I pick GEORGE FOREMAN to win anytime after the sixth round. Now don't go and bet the family fortune on my choice as you know the best advice can be wrong, and if you don't think so, look at the advice NIXON got (ha ha). More next week.--CI BON

Keeping the Faith

JOHN CASTEELE, health education director for the Tacoma-Pierce Pierce County Health Department, used a drug identification kit as part of his presentation at last month's drug workshop.

TOM MITCHELL, host and coordinator of the drug workshops, talks talks about the common causes of drug abuse during last month's wor workshop.



BOB PENTON, counselor for the Tacoma-Pierce County Narcotics Center was one of three speakers at at the last Drug Service System wor workshop.

by Thomas J. Mitchell

Keeping the faith would seem appropriate at this time because the usefulness of the following information depends largely on the faith of the Model Cities Neighborhood, particularly the black community, and how they perceive their role as active participants in the recently created Drug Service System program.

Unfortunately, many citizens of the black community have been unaware or simply reluctant to acknowledge the severe drug problem that exists within the black community. To overcome this reluctancy, it is necessary that black citizens of Tacoma attend the drug workshops that are being presented by the Drug Service System program.

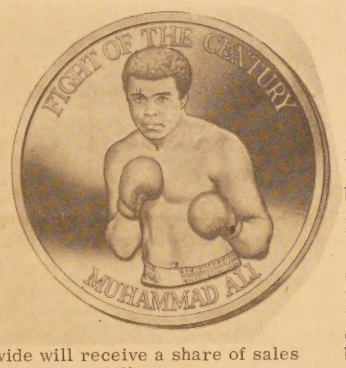
The Drug Service System is presenting another outstanding drug workshop at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 1725 S. I St., on Oct. 30 at 7 p.m. Hopefully, by attending these workshops, black citizens will gain more insight about drug abuse and become more concerned in helping combat the drug crisis that prevails within the community and among black people throughout Tacoma.

It cannot be emphasized too strongly that the drug problem in the Model Cities Neighborhood is ominous and can no longer exist unnoticed. As Martin Luther King once stated, "Black is beautiful," but being black and addicted to drugs is a long way from being black and beautiful.

Therefore, it is necessary that the black citizens of Tacoma and the Model Cities Neighborhood unite and give their support to help overcome the drug problem that is deteriorating our community.

Such a task can only be a success through black people "Keeping the Faith" in one another, attending the workshops and supporting the Drug Service System program to help drug abusers be become productive individuals to themselves, as well as respectable persons to the black community and society at large.

Sale of Ali-Foreman Medallions to Benefit Drug Rehab Centers



Drug Rehabilitation Centers worldwide will receive a share of sales connected with a special issue of two official medallions commemorating the forthcoming heavyweight championship fight between George Foreman and Muhammad Ali. The medallions are in pure proof silver and in 24KT gold plated silver. The medals are to be sold individually or as sets.

The medals have been struck by the New York City Division of THE ROYAL MINT, INC. who were awarded exclusive worldwide rights by Video Techniques, Inc., and the Hemdale Corporation, promoters of the fight, for the design, manufacture, and the sale of the Foreman/Ali medallions.

Participation by the Drug Rehabilitation centers is extensive. Each Center wishing to benefit from this unique program can contact The Royal Mint, Inc. at (212_ 355-6600 or toll free (800) 223-5660. Contact: Mr. Terry; Mr. Smith. A promotional materials kit is being sent to each participating center. Every assistance is being extended by The Royal Mint, Inc. to aid the Centers' efforts. The fighters themselves have promised to kick off the campaign from their respective camps. One week prior to the fight in Zaire, President Mobutu Sese Seko of the Republic of Zaire will give the commemorative medallions to George Foreman and Muhammad Ali at an official ceremony.

The medals are being presented as a limited edition. The proof silver medallion has a mirror like finish, and the 24KT gold plated silver medallion has a satin finish. One medallion depicts George Foreman in a fighting stance, the other shows Muhammad Ali in the same posture. The reverse side of each medallion reads: "World Heavyweight Championship Fight, George Foreman vs. Muhammad Ali, Republic of Zaire, October 29, 1974." The medallions will be delivered in clear shells from which they can be easily removed. Deluxe presentation cases will display the medals individually or as a set. The medals are 39 millimeters in diameter and weigh one ounce each.

The pure proof silver medallions are priced at $27.50 each. The 24 KT gold plated pure silver medallions are $35.00 each.

This heavyweight championship fight is the most important sporting event ever held on the African continent. For the undefeated heavyweight champion Foreman, it represents the most significant fight of his career. For the challenger, it climaxes an already legendary career. Ali has announced it will be his last fight.

The commemorative medallions may be ordered through participating Drug Rehabilitation Centers for their designated outlets, at the fight and closed-circuit T.V. locations, or directly from The Royal Mint, Inc. at 488 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022. Contact: Mr. R. Martin (212) 355-6600 or toll free (800) 223-5600.

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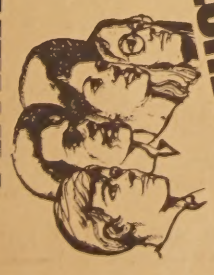

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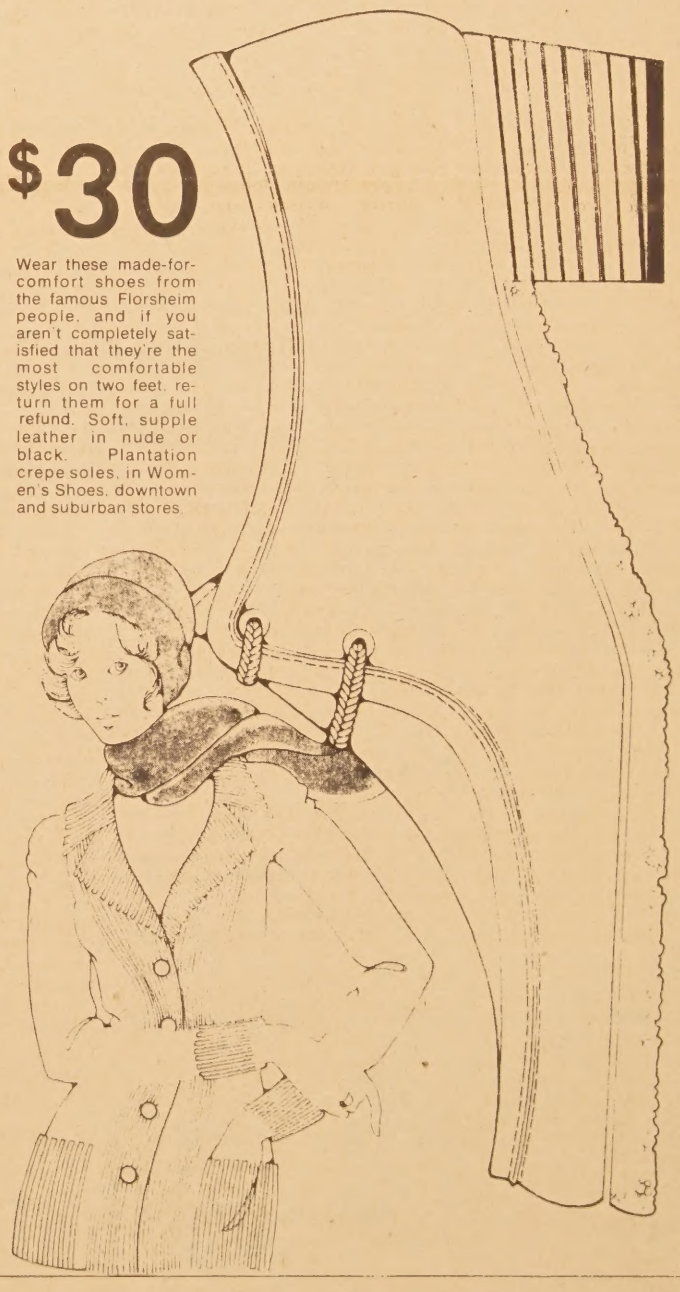

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Boogie Down Tacoma

by Spencer L. Sears

Well now! "Tee McGee and the Rapid Pulsations" packed the Caballeros as usual. The Exquire Club jumped with "The Bill Herman Review". This brother is super bad! The Midnight Special was the best yet. I understand from the people who attended, "Readymade Family" was outstanding. "Magnum" was super-nice. "Freedom" put on a very good show. "Che Che", Tacoma's D.J., really brought the people to their feet too. Franklin Dudley, Accountant Executive of KYAC had very good comments about the D.J. and how he kept the groove going. That wraps up the news of the past weekend.

"Jonah's Whales" will be going to Bellingham this weekend. Roger Lasky, President of Northwest Entertainment Consultant Corporation, says he's going to pull "Jonah's Whale" in for a power packing weekend on November 2, 1974. That is definitely a good move because "Jonah" has made bigger and better changes. I would like to see and hear them now. "Tee McGee" will be at the Caballeros Club on Friday, October 25th, and October 26th they will be at the Amvets Hall for the annual Halloween Dance. "Che Che" will be there too. So, you know, it'll be jumping.

I told you about the Bump Contest coming up on November 15th, 16th, the 18th, 19th and 29th. If you want to enter the contest please go to the Northwest Consultant office, the corner of 13th and K Street, and sign up. We would like to have at least fifty couples or whatever number that makes your bumping better.

Brothers and Sisters, I won't call this a 'battle of the bands'. I'll let you be the judges. Mr. Roger Lasky is going to put "360 Degrees" and "Readymade Family" on the same stage, the same night. Do you think there will be a stage left after these dynamite groups get down? Mr. Lasky calls "Readymade Family" the Northwest's "Jackson Five." We want it to be a party, but with these bands together be prepared to stay on your feet.

You can bet your last money it's all going to be a blast! Keep Reading THE FACTS and Stay Informed!!!

Something To Think About

SCHOOL SPIRIT

BY Barbara Henderson

Does your school have spirit...? I mean loyalty and support. I think that school support is taking a big leap for the better. More crowds are turning out at the games. More pep is put into the cheers. Parents are attending more of their childrens games, which is really together.

Did you hear about the guys on the football team having a demonstration against the strike back in September? This is what I call school spirit. They fought for the right to play football. The high school cheerleaders are doing a wonderful job. Have you been checking out Mt. Tahoma's cheerleaders? They are bad, their cheers are so original and together. They don't get all the credit though. All of the high school cheerleader squads have a black in them which makes it a bit more exciting. Having a good cheering squad has a lot to do with the success of the team. Their shouts of encouragement make the team what it is. More blacks are trying out for cheerleaders and more blacks are making it. Right - On! Keep up the good work.

I want your letters. Write to me, Barbara Henderson in care of the Tacoma FACTS. Thanks.

Let's Fight the Overweight Problem

Approximately sixty million people in this country are over weight. That's a very disturbing figure. When you're over-weight you have a higher chance of getting colds, high blood pressure, strokes, and just plain dying early. Black people especially should beware. We die early. Here are some more shameful statistics.

Average Life Expectancy:
Black Male: 61.2 years
White Male: 68.3 years
Black Female: 69.3 years
White Female: 75.6 years

Scary aren't they? And sitting in front of that T.V. all evening stuffing your stomach won't help matters either. Get out and do some exercises. Running, walking, jogging, basketball, anything to let your body know you still think about it. And lose fifty eight pounds like Mrs. Evangeline Henson pictured above did. Congratulations Mrs. Henson! Keep up the good work!

Lastly, here's a suggested reading list for your positive program of weight reduction. "Mucusless Diet Healing System" by Arnold Ehert; "Natural Diet for Folks Who Eat: Cookin' With Mother Nature", by Dick Gregory; "Consumer Beware" by Beatrice Trum Hunter. They're available at Book and Health Stores on the Tacoma Mall.

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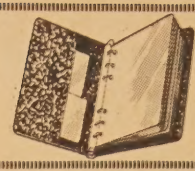

Sports Record Book

by Brian Jaybush

WHO TOLD YOU SO?

It is extremely tempting to say, "I told you so." So tempting, in fact, that it is only through an extremely tight control of will power that "I told you so" isn't the first line in this article.

Because I told you so.

Admittedly, (ashamedly) I did not tell you in this space two weeks ago that the World Series would only last five games--even though I had the strangest inkling that Los Angeles wouldn't last seven games. But that little discrepancy aside, the fact remains I said flatly, "Oakland will remain supreme in the baseball world for another year." That is, Oakland would win the World Series.

Oakland, of course, won the World Series. Four games to one.

Mind you, it was touch and go for a while. Like after the second game, when each team had one win and each had scored 5 runs in doing so. (Oakland won the first game, 3-2; LA won the second game, 3-2. 3-2 got to be a rut...but that's another story.)

What made this split of the first two games touchy for us Oakland supporters is that, in the previous two 'Series Oakland won (1972-1973), the A's were OUTSCORED by their opponents, even though Charley Finley's crew won more games. In the '72 get-together, Cincinatti pushed 21 runs across the plate, while Oakland scored only 16; and last year, Oakland was even outscored by the Mets(!), 24 to 21. And base hits? I'm not mathematician enough to figure out how badly the A's were outhit in the '72 and '73 Series.

So when, after three games, Oakland took the lead, two games to one by again winning, 3-2, I really got nervous. Oakland was scoring too much! And then that fourth game--well, the question ran through my mind, just whose side is God on? (And He's got to be a baseball fan if anyone is.) Oakland 5, LA 2?????That was impossible. Oakland has trouble scoring five runs in a season, let alone in one World Series game. (And at this point, the A's had outscored Los Angeles 13-9. Horrible.)

So going into that last (fifth) game, I was really scared. Something had to happen! Either lightening would strike the Oakland dugout and kill everyone (except Charley Finley) or the Dodgers would protest the whole thing and be given the Series because Commissioner Bowie Kuhn doesn't like mules, or LA would win the next three games 100-0, or--or.....

Oakland 3, Los Angeles 2?

For the fourth time in the five games, the final score was 3-2, and for the fourth time in the five games Oakland was the winner. That meant, of course, that Oakland won the Series--the first time since the New York Yankee era that anyone has won more than two in a row. And Charley Finley (not yet struck by lightening) says "We'll jive in '75," meaning, I suspect, that he intends Oakland to win the series again next year.

My nervousness gone, my belief in the A's renewed, I tend to agree with Charley (for once). The A's should be back in the series again next year, and should win it again, too.

I think.

LATE NOTE: The Huskies return home this Saturday after a long road trip, and to celebrate the event, the sports editor of the UW Daily, Chris Swanson, says SHE will be the first woman to visit the Husky locker room immediately after the game this week. (At that point all the players are in various states of undress.) If it happens, you'll read about it here.

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The Host Club is "Irene Gaines Improvement", Mrs. Minnie Miller, president.